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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER Temperature averages were around 10° above normal. Near record highs were recorded throughout the State late last week. The only precipitation was scattered light snow along the northern border over the weekend. December was a cold, dry month.

CROPS More than the usual amount of field work was accomplished during the past week as mild, open weather prevailed and snow cover was gone in most areas of the State. Stalk cutting and disking was prevalent in fields where livestock had gleaned most of the fallen grain.

The light snow cover for fall seeded grains and the dryness of the surface soil make these crops vulnerable to wind erosion and to winterkill should high winds and low temperatures occur. Some concern is being expressed for the crops since both surface and subsoil moisture reserves are unusually low.

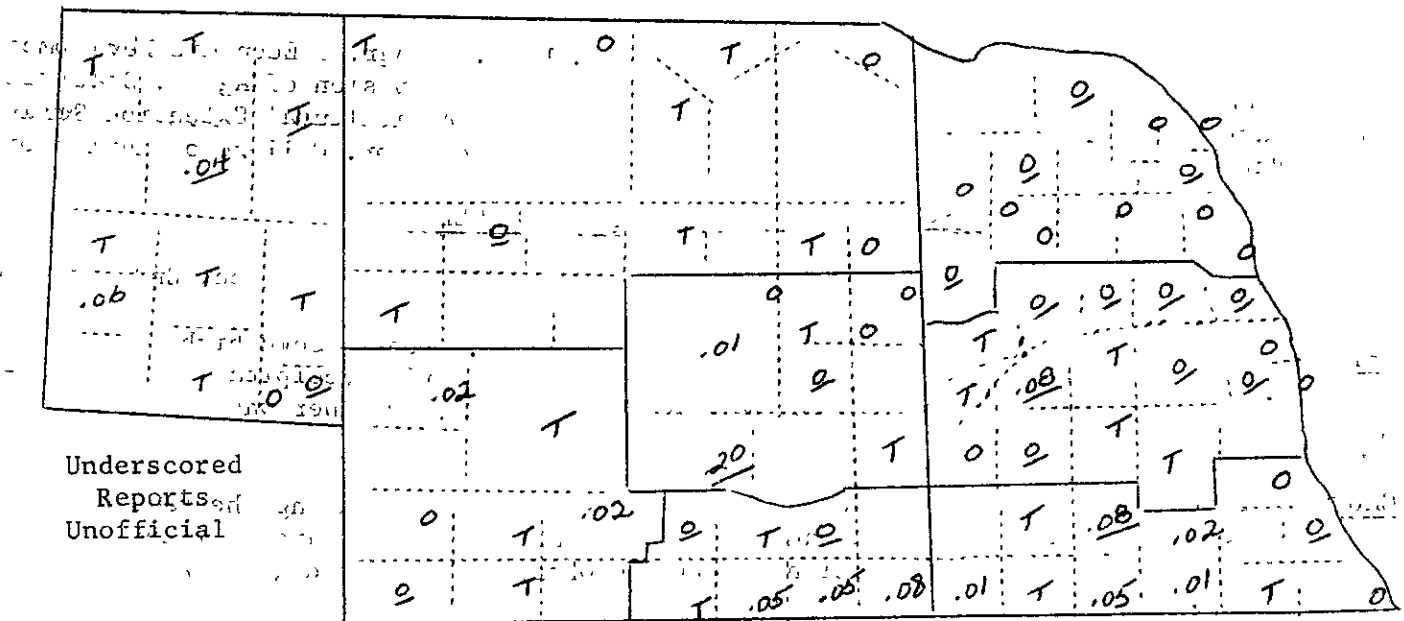
Winter ranges, pastures and field forage are furnishing good feed for livestock, but corn and milo fields are rapidly being cleaned up. Some pastures are becoming short of feed in local areas of the State. Hay supplies and feed grains are generally adequate for current needs and are expected to be sufficient to carry livestock numbers through the current feeding season. Many farmers are busy bringing record books up-to-date and repairing farm machinery and working fences.

LIVESTOCK Mild, open weather was welcomed by stockmen as it was a relief from the extremely cold weather that had prevailed for two weeks. Cattle on open ranges made good use of the feed and showed some improvement in condition. Feedlot cattle made better gains than usual, but dry, dusty lots were causing some respiratory trouble. New lambs are starting to arrive in increasing numbers and were favored with above normal temperatures.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 6, 1964

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	T	Burwell	0	Chadron	.05
Lincoln	0	North Platte	0	Imperial	0
Norfolk	0	Valentine	T	Scottsbluff	0
Omaha	0			Sidney	0
Sioux City	.06				

# PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 3, 1964



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:01 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:00 a.m., CST)

		1963		1964											
		December		January											
		31		1		2		3		4		5		6	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	46	27	58	30	58	36	58	26	42	24	47	26	33	11
	Scottsbluff	47	25	56	27	53	35	57	21	40	20	43	19	34	15
	Sidney	45	28	58	34	60	32	60	19	40	15	51	22	32	10
NC	Burwell	42	20	38	25	58	25	65	25	45	15	52	23	37	
	Valentine	44	21	58	29	56	30	59	28	43	21	51	23	35	13
NE	Norfolk	31	20	33	26	57	29	62	34	45	25	52	25		
	Sioux City	28	14	36	27	53	30	59	36	45	24	54	27	44	26
CEN	Grand Island	30	25	31	27	61	35	71	32	45	21	56	28	44	15
EC	Lincoln	25	24	35	25	58	40	68	39	49	28	55	32	43	22
	Omaha	21	19	34	23	55	34	63	37	46	23	49	32	41	28
SW	Imperial	45	22	60	32	60	25	65	25	43	16	55	25	39	11
	North Platte	39	19	47	26	47	24	57	26	45	15	53	20	37	9

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